

Minutes

ETHNIC HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 10, 2006

5:00 – 7:00 PM

Cannon Health Building

Room 114

	Committee	UDOH Liaisons	Committee Staff	Guests
Members	Aida Santos Mattingley Betty Sawyer Dena Ned Ellen Selu Heru Hendarto Jesse Soriano K. Kumar Shah Leanna Vankeuren Luz Robles Robert Kagabo Sam Folau Shawn M. Jimmerson Suri Suddhiphayak Sylvia Garcia Rickard	Patti Fuhriman Elizabeth Heath Melanie Preece Nasrin Zandkarimi Melissa Zito Kathryn Rowley	George Delavan Owen Quiñonez April Bennett Dulce Diez Matt Montoya	
Excused	Aida Santos Mattingley Sam Folau Ellen Selu Suri Suddhiphayak	Patti Fuhriman (sent replacement) Kathryn Rowley (sent replacement)		
Attendees:	Heru Hendarto Jesse Soriano K. Kumar Shah Khando Chazotsang Luz Robles Robert Kagabo Shawn M. Jimmerson Sylvia Garcia Rickard	Nasrin Zandkarimi Mary Eatchel, UDOH Manager Care for Patti Fuhriman Jeff Walk UCCP Secretary for Kathryn Rowley	George Delavan Owen Quiñonez April Bennett Dulce Diez Matt Montoya	Greg Jaboin, Utah Issues MaryCatherine Jones, DCFS Kyum Koo Chon, UofU Health Promotion Doriena Lee, African American Faith Innitiative Sabrina Morales, Comunidades Unidas Richard Montano, American Cancer Society

Agenda topics

1.	Call to order, welcome, introduction	Sylvia Rickard
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Discussion:

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. by Sylvia Rickard who welcomed and introduced everyone.

Conclusions: None

Action items: None

Person responsible:

Deadline:

None

None

2.	Review / approval of May 08, 2006 minutes	Sylvia Ricard
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Discussion:

Kumar brought it to attention that on page 2, paragraph 5 under “The UDOH Health Disparities Plan,” second sentence not required; also on page 2, paragraph 6 under “The UDOH Health Disparities Plan,” change “cultural differences” to cultural competence.

Sylvia brought it to attention that on page 2, sentence 1, it needed to be changed from “Jesse voted” to Jesse made motion; also on page 7, sentence 1 were it states that Owen is “not part of their communities” should be deleted.

Kumar made motion to accept the minutes from the May 08, 2006 meeting with the above changes. Heru seconded the motion The motion passed.

Conclusions: None

Action items:

Make changes to May 08, 2006 minutes brought before committee

Person responsible:

Matt Montoya

Deadline:

2 wks
before next
meeting

3.	Check status of action items and follow-up from previous meeting	Sylvia Rickard
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Discussion:

Please keep the CMH up-to-date on the progress of action items to allow for updates to be made. Up dates given on several action items. There was much discussion on the importance of EHAC’s presence at health fairs. Attendees discussed the problems with unregulated health fairs i.e. double vaccinations, piece meal health care, mixed reception by communities, under-trained volunteers etc. There was much discussion on how to prioritize ethnic events and how to regulate health fairs put on by the various community groups.

Conclusions:

Health fairs are essential for outreach but must be more regulated.

Recommendation:

Health fairs are a good way to reach minority populations but if screening is involved, adequate training in privacy issues and interpretation of results is necessary.

Action items:

Coordinate the recommendation and prioritization of 2-3 cultural events per ethnic group by EHAC members

Person responsible:

CMH

Deadline:

Jesse made the motion that EHAC recommend that the UDOH put together a guide for groups wishing to put on health fairs with the intention that they would follow it; i.e. if you are going to provide diabetes testing you should do it this way. Kumar/Robert seconded the motion. Motion passed.

UDOH

4. Funding priorities: Draft July recommendations budget Sylvia Rickard

Discussion:

Owen provided a handout of CMH budget prioritizations. The group reviewed the document. There was much discussion on how these items were selected and whether or not a more specific price tag could be attached to each. The procedure in requesting budget increases was discussed in some detail. George and Owen gave their perspective on what the wish list means and how it was created.

Conclusions:

More clarity should be given as to the recommendations meaning and approximate cost. EHAC should be involved in the budget request process.

Action items:

Send out CMH wish list to the members via e-mail.

Person responsible:

Owen

Deadline:

Before next meeting

Research a possible model for state interpretation certification among those states that already have such protocol.

CMH

N/A

Luz motioned that EHAC give feedback regarding wish list and EHAC Executive Committee will finalize the list then provide it to CMH Director; also conduct a survey monkey through the CMH to quantify recommendations. Kumar seconded the motion. Motion passed

CMH Director/EHAC Executive Committee

Before next meeting

George will raise the issue of state certification of interpretation services to the Executive Directors Office

George

N/A

5. Update from UDOH and CMH

Dr. George Delavan

Owen Quiñonez

Discussion:

Dr. Delavan gave update from the UDOH. He indicated that the UDOH is working with the Medicaid Interim Committee to review the states Medicaid program and how it is dealing with growth. It is being determined how programs can subsidize cost and which programs will have priority if budget cuts are made. They will make their recommendations to the Utah Legislature in November. The Governor's Initiative of the Uninsured has made its initial recommendations: focus areas should be first small businesses and secondly young adults who are the largest uninsured populations. The Influenza Pandemic Planning Committee has been selected and the groups will meet over the next few months to finalize recommendation in January 2007.

Owen gave update from the CMH. He indicated all should have received this via e-mail prior to meeting. Mentioned that the Utah Department of Aging Services is looking for volunteers to be trained for their Medicare Health Insurance training. If you are interested call Susan Haselton at 468-2478. The ABC Coalition is looking for more minority participants. They meet the first Friday of every month in the SLVDH building. Owen announced that the CMH is going to hire a new FTE translation/interpretation specialist to focus on literature produced by the UDOH as to improve the process/protocol for translation.

Conclusions:

None

Action items:

Send out ABC Coalition information.

Person responsible:

Owen Quiñonez

Deadline:

Prior to the next meeting

Send out Job Description for new FTE position at CMH

Owen

Prior to next meeting

6.		Update from Multicultural Health Network		Greg Jaboin, Utah Issues	
Discussion: The MHN summit is coming up. This is the 3 rd annual summit. The theme is “Eliminating Inequalities in Utah: Profiling Local Solution to Create Better Healthcare for All.” The summit attendees will brainstorm a 5 year strategic plan. The summit will be Aug. 10 from 8-4:30 at Hunter Jr. High. There will be break-out groups. They are looking for speakers. Greg urged EHAC to get the word out. The more people they have the better the input. Topics of discussion will include: cultural awareness, economic access; policy change etc.					
Conclusions: None					
Action items: Spread the word about the summit			Person responsible: EHAC/CMH		Deadline: By August 4, 2006
7.		Medicare part D		Sylvia Rickard	
Discussion: Discussed in agenda item 3.					
8.		Voting for new member		Sylvia Rickard	
Discussion: There were 2 applicants for one vacant “at-large” seat. Kyum Koo Chon introduced himself and gave brief bio. Sabrina Morales introduced herself and gave her vision of what she can offer to the committee. They were both excused for discussion. It was discussed that both applicants are very strong candidates and both have expressed strong interest to become members. It was determined that both are tremendous resources and both should become members. Jesse motioned to change EHAC by-laws to add on one (1) at-large seat (from 2 to 3) as to accommodate accepting both applicants as new members. Kumar seconded motion. Motion passed It was clarified that a vote needed to be taken to change by-laws and that there was a quorum to vote on such change. Jesse then moved to accept both Sabrina and Kyum. Shawn seconded. Motion passed					

Conclusions: Both applicants accepted as new members.

Action items: Revise by-laws.	Person responsible: Matt Montoya	Deadline: Prior to next meeting
Create memo for approval of new members to Dr. Sundwall	Matt Montoya	Prior to next EC meeting
<div> <div>9. Public comment/Upcoming events</div> <div>Richard Montano, American Cancer Society</div> </div> <p>The American Cancer Society is reaching everyone out there. Many need transportation “road to recovery”-volunteer based free service. The ACS is losing volunteers and subsequently need companies to underwrite costs. Gave program examples: “reach to recovery” for women newly diagnosed with breast cancer- one-on-one sessions facilitated by survivors; “look better, feel better”- survivor/cosmetologists volunteers show women how to put on make-up, fix their wig, designed to help them look better; “man to man” for men with prostate cancer, talk about emotions, sexuality, all inclusive; “ICAN cope”- 6-8 week program designed for families to cope with cancer, subjects like sexuality, emotions, etc. Distributed patient services and volunteer opportunities and quality of life programs calendar. The ACS has less volunteers yet more requests for services. Told the story of a 4 y/o boy who speaks Spanish with a single mother who drive 40 minutes each way with nothing said because the volunteer driver doesn’t speak Spanish. This hard emotionally for drivers too. Thus, they are looking for Spanish speaking volunteers; wants language barriers remedies; need translators for all programs, but, they must be trained in protocol; they strive to provide quality service to the underserved population; looking for feedback/participation of diverse populations to bring cultural competence to table/effective communication; limited to the programs that the Utah Cancer Association provides; Licensed therapists for I CAN cope program. 18 people serving 5-10,000 people. Community Resource Network starting in next six months; looking to hire MSW as networker in various hospitals. Mentioned that HIIPA has impeded their outreach because it is hit and miss. Asked EHAC to recommend cancer victims to the UCS. As for rural communities they are different regions. Client intake reps can refer them to the appropriate office. Needs more clients; asking for help to identify clients; also, for volunteers to be advocates for cancer in their own communities. Announced the “Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk/Run” is looking for team leaders to identify 10 volunteers i.e. EHAC team; all proceeds stay here for our community in Utah; goes specifically to breast cancer; Liberty Park; we need more people of color on the walk. October 14; each team member will have to find sponsors</p>		

Conclusions:

EHAC is needed to augment Mr. Montano's outreach efforts

Action items:

Luz made motion to have EHAC to participate in the walk/run. Sabrina seconded that motion. Motion passed.

Person responsible:

EHAC

Deadline:

Next meeting

10. Adjourn and next meeting

Sylvia Rickard

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm

Conclusions: Next meeting September 11, 2006

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline: